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Hongkong, December 29, 1903. 2347

## Intimations.

### NOTICE.

THE Date of Closing of Entries for the FORTHCOMING RACES has been POSTPONED from the 5th JANUARY to SATURDAY, 16th.

By Order,  
T. F. HOUGH,  
Clerk of the Course.  
Hongkong, December 29, 1903. 2621

### NOTICE.

AN OLD ALLEGIAN DINNER will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 13th JANUARY, 1904, at the HONGKONG HOTEL.

The undersigned will receive names of any Old Allegians who have not yet been communicated with.

H. ARTHUR,  
Care of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
Hongkong, December 30, 1903. 2623

### NOTICE.

THE Partnership between Mr VICTOR H. DEACON and myself having expired, I shall carry on my Business in future at No. 2, WYNDHAM STREET, (Old German Club premises).

JOHN HASTINGS.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 7

### NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between myself and Mr JOHN HASTINGS having been dissolved by effluxion of time, my Business will in future be carried on under the Firm name of DEACON, LOCKER and DEACON.

VICTOR H. DEACON,  
10, Queen's Road.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 8

### LOST.

BETWEEN 'Bieton' Plantation Gap, and City Hall Building, on the Evening of 22nd December, a GOLD PEARL SPRAY BROOCH.

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Hongkong, December 28, 1903. 2616

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Hongkong, October 29, 1903. 2206

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s.s. SAINAM, 588 tons, Captain B. Branch.  
s.s. NANNING, 569 tons, Captain C. Butchart.  
s.s. TAK HING, 618 tons, Captain R. D. Thomas.

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Hongkong, May 29, 1900. 1237

#### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr STEPHAN EDUARD WARNEKEN in our Firm ceased on the 30th of JUNE last, by mutual agreement.

SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, December 31, 1903. 2634

#### L'UNION OF PARIS FIRE INSURANCE COY., LTD.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to accept Risks against Fire at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 6

#### NOTICE.

MR HARRY W. HINE is authorized to sign our Firm by Procuration from this date.

ROWE & CO.

Canton, January 1, 1904. 10

#### NOTICE.

WE have authorized from This Date Mr L. M. H. BOISSEREE to sign the Firm.

LUTGENS, EINSMANN & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 13

#### NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that NG HOK KIN has been employed as a FOREMAN and Contractor in and has now Resigned from the Contractor Shop CHEUNG HING.

Gentlemen are requested to be aware that all documents for transactions of the above Shop, after date shall be recognised under WONG CHEUNG PO'S Signature, and the proper Seal.

The Proprietor,  
CHEUNG HING SHOP,  
No. 24, Gage Street.

Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 12

## Business Notices.

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Hongkong, December 23, 1903. 2587

#### NOTICE.

Address:

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Hongkong, January 2, 1904. 2

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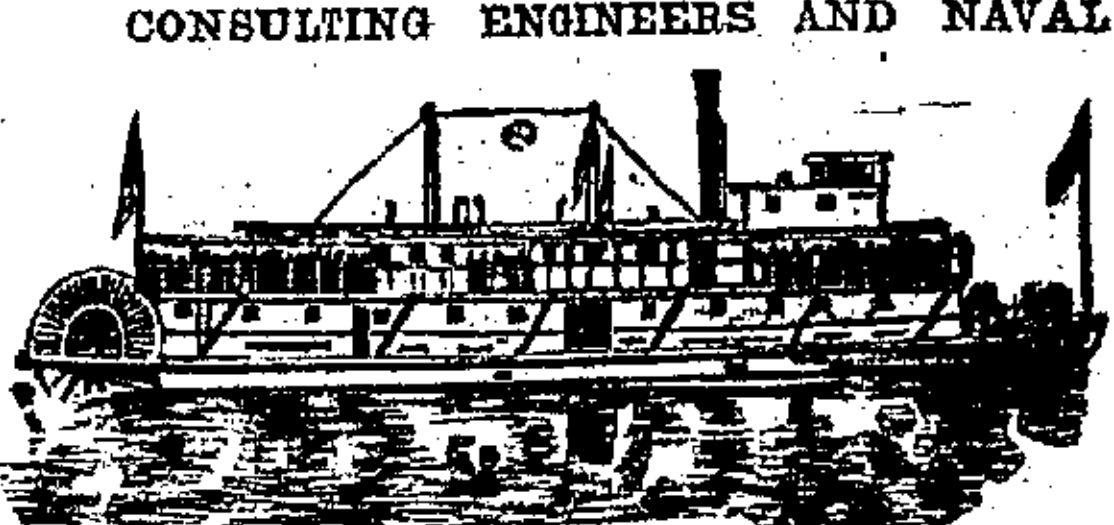
Hongkong, January 14, 1903. 98

## Business Notices.

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\*Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 1

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A LARGE SELECTION OF BROCADED SILK SUITABLE FOR EVENING CLOAKS AND COATS.

Hongkong, November 16, 1903. 1656

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Hongkong, December 11, 1903.



## Intimations.

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N. INUZUKA, Manager, Hongk. ng.

Hongkong, April 28, 1903.



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His mother will tell you  
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its pure ingredients  
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SEATTLE, WASH.  
PHONE RAINIER 30

For Case (8 dozen Pints, ..... ) \$16.50  
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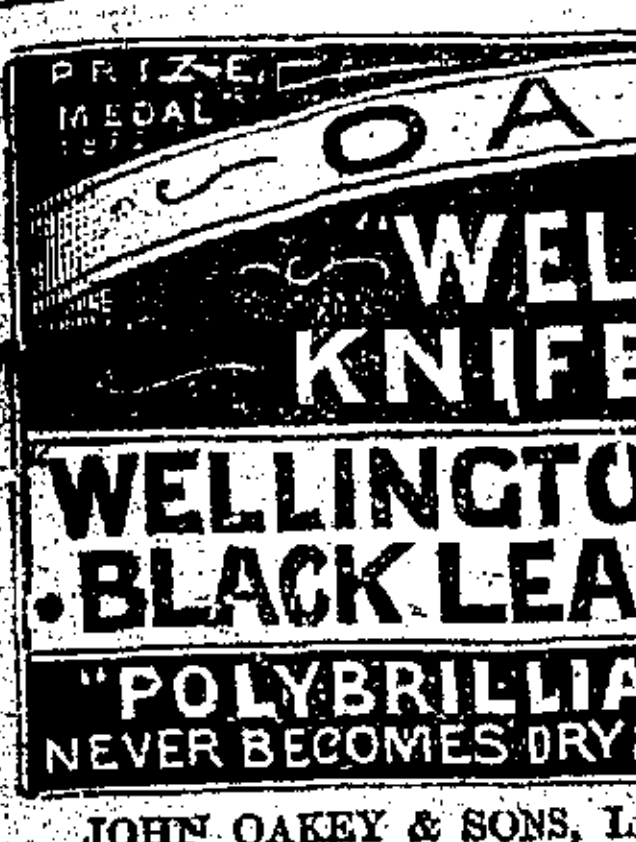
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## Intimations.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from  
the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that  
GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from  
Stonecutters Island on the 6th and 8th  
proximo, in a South-Westerly direction, at  
ranging from 600 to 4,500 yards and  
Lyman Sub district on the 9th proximo in  
the direction of the entrance to Junk Bay  
at ranges from 600 to 4,500 yards.  
If the weather is unfavourable on either  
of the above dates, Practice will take place  
on the 11th proximo.  
Practice will commence at 9 a.m. on the  
6th and 8th proximo, and at 9.30 a.m. on  
the 9th proximo, and end at 11 a.m. daily,  
if the range is clear.  
By Command,  
A. M. THOMSON,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby Notified  
that in accordance with the Special  
Resolutions passed on 31st October, and  
confirmed on 18th November, 1903, they  
are entitled on Application to an Allotment  
of one Share for every two old Shares held  
by them. Forms of Application will be  
sent to every Shareholder.  
The Sum of \$2.50 per Share will be pay-  
able, on application, on or before the 4th  
of January, 1904. Two Months' Notice of  
any Calls will be given.  
Shareholders desirous of paying on or  
before the 4th January, 1904, the whole  
Amount payable in respect of their Shares,  
can do so, and in such event will receive  
fully paid up scrip in Exchange.  
The New Issue will rank for Dividend  
pro rata from 1st January, 1904, according  
to the amount paid on such Shares on 4th  
January, 1904.  
THE REGISTER OF SHARES will be  
CLOSED from 17th December, 1903, to  
4th January, 1904, both days inclusive.  
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, December 1, 1903. 2415

WILLIAM MACLEOD, D.D.S.,  
DENTIST.

11 & 12, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE,  
Hongkong, September 22, 1903. 1758

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Hot and Cold Water throughout.  
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Hongkong, June 10, 1902. 1222

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Genuine Camphorwood boxes; Fans and  
several other articles made up of Ivory,  
Mother-of-pearl, Sandalwood and Tortoise-  
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Quality will speak for itself.  
Very moderate Prices.  
Hongkong, November 3, 1903. 721

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## TIME TABLE.

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8.00 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
8.30 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
9.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
10.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
11.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
11.30 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
12.00 p.m. to 1.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
1.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
3.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
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7.30 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 30 minutes.  
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.  
1.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
6.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. Every 10 minutes.  
6.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

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Extra cars at 11.30 and 11.45 p.m.  
SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the  
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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers

Hongkong, June 4, 1903. 1091

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Sir,—So much has already been written about the overland route to China that I have just made the trip, and as my experience differs entirely from the accounts I have read in newspapers and magazines, possibly you will consider it worthy of space in your esteemed paper. The International Sleeping Car Company's train *deux*, by which I travelled from Moscow to Sina (owing to an accident on the line as had to change to a Russian train at Sina), consisted of one first and two second class sleeping cars; one car containing the dining-room, smoke-room, and kitchen; one car partitioned off into three parts, in which were the dynamo, the bathroom and storeroom, and a luggage van. Owing to gross negligence, the axles of the car containing the dynamo and bath became overheated before we had been away from Moscow 12 hours and the car had to be detached. The conductor wired repeatedly to Moscow asking that they should be replaced, but his telegrams were ignored, and we had in consequence to grope our way through Siberia by candle-light and to remain unwashed until we arrived at Sina. There was no such thing as a drawing-room or lounge, as I was to expect: there was only the above-mentioned car containing the dining-room and smoke-room—the former to seat 24 and the latter 12. Thus there was only accommodation for 36 people, and as we carried 60 passengers half of them had either to lie about the draughty corridors or to remain in their cabins.

The sleeping compartments were comfortable enough, the first class being two-bunked and the second class four-bunked, but the latter were very small, and there was scarcely room to turn when the beds were adjusted. Another very great drawback was that there were only two lavatories on each second-class carriage, which had to be shared between 20 people. The food on the train was indifferent, and, considering the quality, dear. The attendance was atrocious, there being only two home-tow smart waiters for 60 people, and, to crown all, there was not a single servant on the train who could understand English. I took the Russian Government train from Moscow to Sina, and found the same decided improvement on the International Sleeping Car train in every respect.

My experience has no doubt been an exceptionally bad one, but in any case I would not recommend any one to undertake the trip in the present state of things, as, apart from the disadvantages I have pointed out, it seems to me that the line is dangerous in some parts, and three-fourths of the country traversed is uninteresting. If any one wants an experience and is prepared to rough it, well and good, but otherwise my advice is 'Stick to the sea.'

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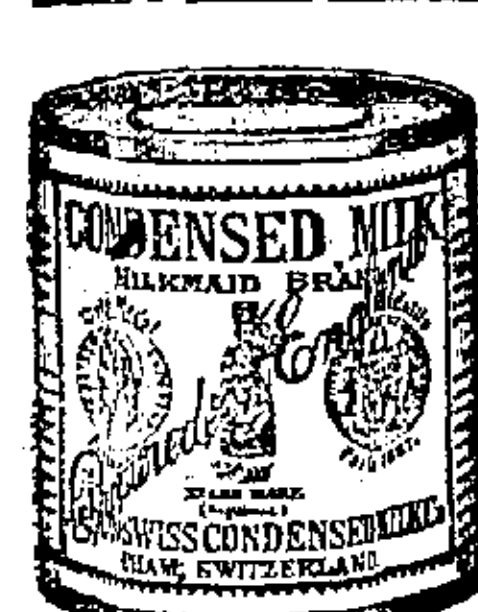
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Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,500	10	13,500	Captain T. H. M. Jerram	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch vessel	1050	6	1400	Comdr. R. Nugent	Singapore
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	10	18,000	Capt. Charles Windham C.V.O.	Hongkong
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Albatross	battleship, 1st class	10,500	14	13,000	Lieut.-Comdr. T. D. Pratt	Hongkong
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Albatross	cruiser, 2nd class	380	—	800	Captain Robert H. S. Stokes	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 2nd class	5600	11	9600	Comdr. Ernest Barton	Whampoa
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	1070	10	1400	Comdr. P. V. Lawes, D.S.O.	Hongkong
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	6700	Captain W. A. Carter	Whampoa
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,500	16	13,500	Lieut.-Com. H. L. Well	Hongkong
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Comdr. J. D. Daintree	Whampoa
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut.-Com. G. B. Powell	Hongkong
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Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3900	Lieut.-Com. G. B. Powell	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	14,100	—	31,500	Lieut.-Com. G. B. Powell	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	180	2	800	Lieut.-Com. G. B. Powell	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	880	10	1400	Comdr. O. W. M. Henderson	Whampoa
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,500	16	13,500	Captain R. F. Foote, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Lieut.-Com. G. G. Colington	Whampoa
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	1015	6	1400	Comdr. W. H. Nicholson	Hongkong
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Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	85	2	240	Lieut.-Com. John P. Iren	Canton
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	980	6	1400	Comdr. T. Jackson	Manila
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	85	2	240	Lieut.-Com. Murray Lockhart	West River
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	3600	8	9000	Capt. G. H. Moore	Shanghai
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	85	2	240	Lieut.-Com. Davidson	Shanghai
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	Fleet Reserve	Hongkong
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Aspern	Austrian cruiser	962	—	—	Capt. Friedrich Grunzenborzen	Shanghai
Acheron	French gunboat	1796	—	—	Captain Lafortier	Saigon
Alouette	French gunboat	300	—	—	Lieut. A. Varney	Shanghai
Argus	French gunboat	475	3	450	Capt. Crespin	Canton
Aspic	French gunboat	550	—	—	Commodore J. J. J.	Saigon
Avalanche	French gunboat	550	—	—	Lieut. Hiron	Halong
Bergall	French gunboat	2740	23	9000	Capt. Lafortier	Halong
Bugeaud	French gunboat	6018	18	—	Captain V. Poidiens	Saigon
Chateaufort	French gunboat	525	—	—	Commodore Louis	Halong
Comete	French gunboat	680	—	—	Commodore Guchell	Saigon
Decapod	French gunboat	1250	6	2200	Capt. de Goussier	Halong
Kersaint	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. de Goussier	Saigon
Lion	French gunboat	9700	12	19,000	Captain Aros	Saigon
Montcalm	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Hurst	Shanghai
Olry	French gunboat	4015	27	8500	Captain Seude	Saigon
Rascal	French gunboat	9437	8	8071	Capt. Vincent	Saigon
Redoubtable	French gunboat	1796	10	—	Captain Thomas	Saigon
Sty	French gunboat	653	2	900	Capt. Thomas	Hongkong
Surprise	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Gaillard	Yangtze
Takou	French gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Blondel	Saigon
Vauban	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Carri	Along Bay
Vigilant	French gunboat	400	4	441	Co. ad. Villeneuve	Canton
Vipero	French gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. Huss	Saigon
Bussard	German cruiser	1807	15	2900	Comdr. Huss	Shanghai
First Bismarck	German flag ship	11,000	36	14,000	Captain Friedrich	Nagasaki
Geier	German cruiser	1775	15	2950	Capt. Wuthmann	Shanghai
Hansa	German cruiser	860	34	10,000	Capt. van Sommeren	Yokohama
Hertha	German cruiser	6000	37	10,000	Capt. Ingenhoff	Nagasaki
Idis	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Commander Platen	Amoy
Jaguar	German gunboat	303	10	400	Comdr. Wilbrandt	Zobu
Lucia	German gunboat	850	10	—	Comdr. Kroenke	Amoy
McWe	German gunboat	1629	15	2600	Comdr. F. F. F.	Hongkong
Seca	German gunboat	1640	15	2600	Comdr. F. F. F.	Nankin
Tiger	German gunboat	600	10	1300	Comdr. Deim.	Nagasaki
Vorwaerts	German gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. von	Shanghai
Thetis	German gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Dick	Shanghai
Piemonte	Italian cruiser	2427	34	12,000	Captain Duvernois	Nagasaki
Vesuvio	Italian cruiser	4993	24	9800	Captain Zani	Shanghai
Vettor Pisani	Italian cruiser	6500	18	13,000	Capt. Cali	Nagasaki
Diu	Portuguese gunboat	750	—	—	Captain Diogo de Sa	Macao
Zaire	Portuguese gunboat	600	—	—	Capt. F. J. Barbosa Leal	Macao
Aleout	Russian gunboat	810	6	730	Comdr. Guinter	Vladivostok
Amur	Russian cruiser	2900	5	4700	Comdr. Gramatikoff	Port Arthur
Aschold	Russian cruiser	6000	27	—	Capt. Reitzenshtein	Hobe
Bayaria	Russian cruiser	3200	6	1150	Comdr. Erjckovitch	Port Arthur
Bobro	Russian gunboat	1050	8	—	Comdr. Erjckovitch	Shanghai
Bogaty	Russian gunboat	6640	12	—	Comdr. Erjckovitch	Port Arthur
Diana	Russian gunboat	500	9	2600	Comdr. Youriel	Port Arthur
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Zagarsky	Port Arthur
Gromoloch	Russian gunboat	12,854	44	14,500	Captain Jensen	Shanghai
Gullik	Russian gunboat	1000	6	1000	Comdr. Shumoff	Nagasaki
Koreas	Russian gunboat	1213	7	1500	Comdr. Norvsky	Shanghai
Mandarin	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	Commodore Muraviev	Nankin
Orsley	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Vasiliev	Shanghai
Pallad	Russian gunboat	6731	12	—	Captain Korolev	Port Arthur
Perevlet	Russian gunboat	12,074	15	14,500	Captain Jakovlev	Port Arthur
Petrovich	Russian gunboat	12,074	15	14,500	Capt. Zatsorin	Port Arthur
Pobeda	Russian gunboat	10,980	16	10,800	Captain Osoroff	Port Arthur
Poleva	Russian gunboat	1834	10	1780	Comdr. Liven	Port Arthur
Rashchynica	Russian gunboat	15,902	16	16,000	Captain Sepolennikov	Port Arthur
Rosia	Russian gunboat	12,220	68	17,000	Capt. Matveev	Port Arthur
Rurik	Russian gunboat	10,980	28	10,800	Captain Serebrennikov	Port Arthur
Sivuch	Russian gunboat	950	2	1125	Lieut.-Comdr. Ivanoff	Nagasaki
Sivuch	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1120	Comdr. Ginter	Port Arthur
Varyg	Russian gunboat	6500	27	20,000	Capt. Bahr	Port Arthur
Vladik	Russian gunboat	500	9	3300	Comdr. Zagorodnyak-Kislov	Port Arthur
Zabiyka	Russian gunboat	1230	15	1194	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Arthur
Albatross	U. S. cruiser	3500	—	—	Capt. J. H. Rodgers	Nagasaki
Albatross	U. S. cruiser	235	—	—	Lieut. M. L. Miller	Hongkong
Cincinnati	U. S. gunboat	3213	—	1600	Capt. H. E. Mason	Shanghai
Dou Juan de Austria	U. S. gunboat	1150	—	—	Captain Denfield	Shanghai
Albatross	U. S. gunboat	540	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. J. Hood	Shanghai
Albatross	U. S. gunboat	1392	8	1988	Comdr. Staunton	Shanghai
* Kentucky	U. S. flag ship	11,500	41	19,000	Captain E. M. Berry	Kobe
Manassas	U. S. monitor	3890	6	300	Captain Mahan	Shanghai
Manassas	U. S. gunboat	1370	6	850	Comdr. Denfield	Shanghai
Manassas	U. S. monitor	4084	4	5244	Comdr. W. H. Beebles	Hongkong
New Orleans	U. S. cruiser	3437	20	—	Commodore Blockinger	Nagasaki
Oregon	U. S. cruiser	10,534	45	—	Captain Howell	Kobe
Regen	U. S. cruiser	3213	—	—	Capt. Naro	Shanghai
Waburg	U. S. cruiser	1000	15	1118	Commodore Marshall	Shanghai
Wilmington	U. S. gunbat	400	—	—	Lieut. L. C. Bartollett	Shanghai
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**MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.**  
Auction.  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Handsome House-  
hold Furniture, etc., at Mr. V. I.  
Remedios' Sales Rooms.  
Miscellaneous.  
Goods per *Alva* from not cleared on  
this date subject to rent.  
Goods per *Batavia* undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.  
General Memoranda.  
WEDNESDAY, January 4.—  
9 a.m.—Military Gun Practice.  
Goods per *Polynesia* undelivered after this  
date at Noon will be subject to rent  
and landing charges.  
Goods per *Palawan* not cleared at 4 p.m.  
on this date subject to rent.  
FRIDAY, January 6.—  
9 p.m.—A Concert of Hongkong Volun-  
teer Corps at City Hall.  
SATURDAY, January 16.—  
9 p.m.—A Concert of Hongkong Volun-  
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**BIRTHS.**  
On December 24, at Shanghai, the wife  
of CHAN MOORE, C.E., of a Son.  
On December 26, at 6, Boundary Ter-  
race, Shanghai, the wife of Mr. THOMAS D.  
RIZZO, British and Foreign Bill Society,  
of a Daughter.  
On December 27, at No. 4, Ward Road,  
Shanghai, the wife of E. JASSEN, of a  
Daughter.  
On December 28, at 48, Range Road,  
Shanghai, the wife of ERNEST L. ALLEN,  
of a Son.  
**MARRIAGES.**  
On the 28th December, at the Registrar  
General's Office, Hongkong, ARTHUR  
CHARLES ARCHEBUT to EVELYN VON  
SCHUTTER.  
On December 28, at the Union Church,  
Shanghai, by the Rev. C. E. Darwent,  
M.A., JOHAN ALBERT OLSEN, to HELEN  
WINIFRED HANSEN, only daughter of Capt.  
Chr. Hansen, of Shanghai.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**  
HONGKONG, MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 1904.  
**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**  
**Mrs May's 'At Homes.'**  
We are requested to state that Mrs  
May will be 'At Home' at Government  
House on the first Thursdays of every  
month.  
**Boer Prisoners in India.**  
General Delay arrived at Bombay on  
the 13th ult., and was to be attended by  
Brigadier General K. M. Greenfield during  
his visit to the Boer prisoners at Ahmed-  
nagar.  
**Movements of Warships.**  
H.M.S. *Amphitrite*, *Talbot* and *Feather*  
have gone out to Mrs May for gun practice,  
and we hear that the *Amphitrite* goes on to  
Weihaiwei, and that the *Cressy* is coming  
home to dock. Several of the warships are  
coaling, and altogether there is consider-  
able activity among them.  
**Tae Siberian Route.**  
The correspondent who recently sent  
us two post cards to test the relative value  
of the mail routes by Siberia and by Suez  
has sent us two letters to make a further  
test. The letter via Siberia reached this  
office early on Saturday, 2nd inst., the  
letter via Suez arrived some hours later.  
Both letters bear the Brighton postmark of  
December 3, 6.15 p.m. The post-card by  
Siberia was also the first to arrive a few  
hours ahead of the card by Suez. It would  
thus appear that the Siberian route beats  
the P. and O. mail by Suez by only a few  
hours, so that the value of the new route to  
Hongkong for outward mails will not be  
great till fast trains are run daily between  
Moscow and Dally and mail matter is  
forwarded quickly to Shanghai. Our cor-  
respondent might now try the Siberian  
route against the French mail.  
**Chinese and their Protector.**  
On the 23rd ult., a deputation consist-  
ing of fourteen representatives of the vari-  
ous Chinese tribes in Singapore, waited  
on Mr. Evans, lately Protector of Chinese,  
at his residence and presented him with an  
address. The deputation was introduced  
by the Hon. Tan Jik Kim, and the address  
was signed by 68 leading men of the Hok-  
kien, Teochew, Cantonese and Hakka  
clans. After receiving the address, Mr.  
Evans made an appropriate reply in which  
he thanked them for their kind remarks,  
and expressed the pleasure he felt at having  
by his management of the Protectorate  
earned their good feelings and approval.  
They had always got on well together, and  
he trusted the Government would in all  
its actions always be able to rely on the  
undivided loyalty of the Chinese populace.  
Mr. Evans left by the *Ballaarat* on the 25th  
ult.

**Silver and Exchange.**  
We have received from Messrs Hecun-  
skers and Co. their annual returns of Ex-  
change, but silver and bank rate of discount  
in 1903. From this statement, we learn  
that the highest rate of Exchange was  
recorded on the 2nd and 4th of September  
—1/10 1/2—and the lowest from the 17th to  
31st January and 4th to 13th February  
—1/10 1/2. Silver reached its highest quota-  
tion on 20th October—28 1/2—and its lowest  
on 23rd and 24th January—21 1/2. The  
average T. T. rate for the four quarters of  
the year were—First, 1/6 1/2; Second,  
1/7 1/2; Third, 1/9 1/2; Fourth, 1/10 1/2; while  
the T. T. rate for the year averaged 1/8 1/2.  
It is interesting to note that the highest  
point recorded by silver in 1877 was 68  
and the lowest 53, while Exchange was  
—highest, 4/3; lowest, 3/9. Taking  
decimal periods, the record stands.  
**Exchange.**  
Highest—Lowest. Highest—Lowest.  
1873—51 1/2 50 1/2 3/3 3/7  
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Exchange in 1880 fluctuated between  
3/10 and 3/10 1/2, the former being the high-  
est point touched from 1878 to 1880.  
**Croupy Children.**  
If your children are subject to croup  
watch for the first symptom of the  
disease—hoarseness. If Chamberlain's  
Cough Remedy is given as soon as the  
child becomes hoarse, the attack can be  
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has appeared, the attack can always be  
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**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**  
**Notes by the Way.**  
Seven girls were fatally and five others  
badly injured in a fire at a match factory  
at Kobe on December 19.  
Sir John Keane's sister, Mrs Harriet  
Edith Keane, has arrived at Colombo as a  
guest of Sir Henry and Lady Blake.  
The mortality returns for Singapore  
for the week ended December 19 give a  
total of 193 deaths, equivalent to a death  
rate of 41.21 per thousand.  
The Pallard Comedy Company were  
passengers on the British India steamer  
*Canara*, which caught fire on the voyage  
from Calcutta to Rangoon.  
Mr. V. Chirrol, Foreign Editor of The  
Times, who accompanied the Viceregal  
party on the Persian Gulf tour, proceeded  
direct to England on the completion of the  
tour.  
Captain Armstrong, Surgeon to the  
Viceroy, who recently had to undergo an  
operation in connection with his knee at  
Simla, has been obliged to take sick leave  
home for six months.  
Lieutenant R. C. Birdwood, 2nd-Lt.  
Gurkha Rifles, has received permission to  
visit the forts on the Persian Gulf and such  
places of interest in the interior as may be  
approved by the local authorities.  
On the way out from England, the  
officers of H.M.S. *Centurion* found time to  
play a cricket match at Colombo against  
the R.G.A. The gunners scored 133 to the  
sailors' 107 (Boll 37, de Kintzow 16, Phil-  
lips 13).  
The Government of India has official-  
ly acknowledged the very satisfactory work  
done by Lieut. H. Biddulph, R.E., in  
connection with the construction of the  
Coomatigah bridge across the Swat River  
at Chakdara.  
**Prince of Wales and India.**  
The visit of Sir Curzon Wyllie to India  
is understood to be in connection with the  
proposed tour of the Prince and Princess of  
Wales in India next year.  
**A Felicitous Opening.**  
On the opening of the Supreme Court  
this morning the Attorney General on be-  
half of the Bar, said:—'I have the pleasure  
to wish Your Lordship a happy new year.  
The Chief Justice said that the Court re-  
ciprocated the wish, and wished the Bar  
the same.  
**Lieut. Colonel Lumkin, R.A.M.C.**  
A Calcutta telegram states that Lieut.  
Colonel F. J. Lumkin, R.A.M.C., who  
has been detailed from Hongkong for duty  
in India, will visit all the military stations  
where his special knowledge and experience  
of certain diseases may be of use in order  
to demonstrate to medical officers the method  
of treatment best suited to the diseases in  
question.  
**Mr Bax-Inneside Flouted.**  
Mr Bax-Inneside, the British Minister  
at Caracas, the capital of Venezuela, has  
twice protested against the closing of the  
Orinoco River to foreign commerce, with-  
out receiving a reply. As a consequence  
the British West Indian Squadron was  
ordered to proceed to La Guaira, the port  
of Caracas, on the 3rd of December, when  
a fresh Note was to be presented to the  
Venezuelan Government on the subject.

**WAR RUMOURS.**  
At a time like the present, when two  
nations are warring to the teeth and threat-  
ening a breach of the peace, it is not sur-  
prising the rumours of war's inevitability  
are of daily occurrence. People are  
now so accustomed to the cry of 'Wolf'  
that little heed is taken of these rumours  
unless they bear an apparent air of more  
than usual certainty. To-day, it was  
generally rumoured that a leading local  
firm had received a circumstantial tele-  
gram to the effect that war was not only  
inevitable but was now 'imminent.' We  
have endeavoured to follow up this rumour,  
and below we give a specimen of the  
conversation that 'inevitably' en-  
sued—  
'I hear that you have been stating that  
a telegram has been received to the effect  
that war is imminent.'  
'Yes.'  
'Can you tell me where the telegram  
came from?'  
'Oh, a man in the Club.'  
'Well, who has received the message?'  
'That I can't tell you.'  
'Do you mean that you are not at liberty  
to tell or that you do not know who has  
got the telegram?'  
'Well, to tell you the truth, I do not  
know even that such a telegram is in ex-  
istence.'  
'Then, as a matter of fact, you do not  
know anything at all about it?'  
'Well, if you put it that way, I do not.'  
And so the very cause of the rumour  
goes on. Shanghai, I suppose, has  
been the perennial source of sensational  
rumours. Our readers may take it  
that up to the hour of publication no defi-  
nite, reliable information of the disturbance  
of the *status quo* has taken place up north.

**THE CRISIS.**  
**HOW TO MEET THE WORST.**  
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**TELEGRAMS.**  
[CHINA MAIL'S SPECIAL SERVICE.]  
**THE WAR CLOUD.**  
**NO ULTIMATUM FROM JAPAN.**  
LONDON, January 2.  
It is officially announced in St.  
Petersburg that Japan did not fix a  
time limit for a reply to her last  
Note to St. Petersburg with regard  
to Russia's intentions in the Far East.  
**MORE RUSSIAN DESTROYERS.**  
**TWO REACH GIBRALTAR.**  
LONDON, January 2.  
Two more Russian torpedo-boat  
destroyers have reached Gibraltar.  
They are on their way to the Far  
East to augment the Russian fleet on  
the China Station.

**THE CHICAGO HOLOCAUST.**  
**CRUSADE AGAINST DEFEC-  
TIVE THEATRES.**  
**The Mayor Closes Nineteen.**  
LONDON, January 2.  
Immediately after the tragic fire at  
the Iroquois Theatre, Chicago, a Com-  
mission of Inquiry was appointed to  
investigate the cause of so much loss  
of life.  
The Commission dealt with the  
matter promptly, and has brought in  
a scathing report.  
Public indignation has been raised  
by the result of the investigation, and  
the Mayor of Chicago, acting on the  
City Regulations, has closed nineteen  
theatres which were defective in matters  
of fire prevention and escape.  
**GREAT BRITAIN'S REVENUE.**  
**A DECREASE OF £2,631,947.**  
LONDON, January 2.  
The revenue collected in Great  
Britain for the last quarter of the year  
1903 shows a decrease of £2,631,947.  
The decrease is mainly due to a  
falling off in the Customs of £987,055,  
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**[S.C. DAILY NEWS SERVICE.]**  
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[CHINA MAIL'S SPECIAL SERVICE.]  
**ENGLAND VERSUS AUSTRALIA.**  
**THE SECOND TEST MATCH.**  
(From Our Special Correspondent.)  
**The Englishmen Batting.**  
MELBOURNE, January 2.  
The second test match in connection  
with the English cricketers' tour was  
commenced yesterday on the Cricket  
Ground, East Melbourne.  
The weather was very unpropitious,  
rain falling and interrupting play, as  
well as rendering the wicket bad.  
The Englishmen went to the wickets  
first and when stumps were drawn had  
lost two wickets for 221 runs.  
Play was resumed on an unsatis-  
factory wicket to-day, and at the close  
of play six wickets were down for 306  
runs. Tyldesley, who batted brilliantly,  
was not out 97.  
During his innings R. E. Foster took  
ill and was compelled to retire. He  
was then batting well and had compiled  
49.  
Following are the double figure  
scores:—  
ENGLAND—First Innings.  
T. Hayward ..... 58  
R. E. Foster ..... 68  
R. E. Foster, retired ..... 49  
L. C. Braund ..... 20  
J. T. Tyldesley, not out ..... 97  
Other batsmen and Sundries 14  
Six wickets for ..... 306  
**A SYDNEY OPINION OF THE  
ENGLISH CRICKETERS.**  
The Englishmen have virtually beaten  
the three States by big margins, says the  
*Sydney Mail* of November 25. Two were  
most pronounced victories; in fact, that  
against South Australia was almost for  
two goals Ship and Nancarrow being the  
scorers, while in the second half Nancarrow  
scored again. The play of the *Brimont*  
was of higher quality than their opponents  
all round, and their win was well-earned.  
Teams were as follows:—  
H.M.S. *Brimont*: Cavanagh, goal;  
Edmonds and Harding, backs; Bruce, L.  
Hughes, and Weston, halves; Hole, Shipp,  
Nancarrow, Reynolds and Fearnley, for-  
wards.  
H.M.S. *Enduro*: Edmond, goal;  
Tahney and Malcolman, backs; Cole,  
Seal and Frogatt, halves; Nixon, Whit-  
ton, Howes, Wood and Lowe, forwards.

**CRICKET LEAGUE.**  
R.A.M.C. R.E.  
The Royal Engineers defeated the Royal  
Army Medical Corps on Saturday afternoon  
by three runs.  
The scores were as follows:—  
R.A.M.C.  
S. S. Wilson, c. Tilmann, b. Moldrum ..... 12  
S. M. Allcock, c. J. L. Fisher, b. Mel-  
drum ..... 11  
Cook, b. Moldrum ..... 9  
Woolley, b. Bowyer ..... 4  
Latter, b. Bowyer ..... 2  
Chaffer, b. Bowyer ..... 2  
Williams, c. Tilmann, b. Bowyer ..... 0  
Ashmore, c. Bowyer, b. Moldrum ..... 0  
Craig, b. Bowyer ..... 1  
Sgt. Dearsley, c. Tilmann, b. Bowyer ..... 3  
Drake, not out ..... 3  
Sundries ..... 7  
Total ..... 53  
R.E.  
Whiles, b. Williams ..... 5  
Tilmann, J. L., b. Williams ..... 0  
Smith, b. Williams ..... 0  
Glasbrook, c. Chaffer, b. Williams ..... 1  
Dixon, b. Williams ..... 1  
Moldrum, c. Wilson, b. Cook ..... 15  
Burroughs, b. Williams ..... 11  
Bowyer, b. Cook ..... 16  
Jackson, c. Wilson, b. Cook ..... 8  
Tecomby, b. Cook ..... 1  
Dearsley, not out ..... 1  
Sundries ..... 2  
Total ..... 56  
**A.O.C. CHAINGOW.**  
The Army Ordnance Corps defeated  
Chaingow by six runs on Saturday  
at Happy Valley. The scores were as  
follows:—  
A.O.C.  
Webb, c. Horton, b. Brown ..... 4  
Lillywhite, not out ..... 53  
Davies, c. Horton, b. Brown ..... 11  
Stewart, b. Brown ..... 10  
Leikner, c. Horton, b. Brown ..... 10  
Rutter, c. Lammert, b. Brown ..... 11  
Hartwell, b. Horton ..... 0  
Robinson, b. Brown ..... 4  
McGibbon, c. Houghton, b. Horton ..... 0  
Sundries ..... 9  
Total ..... 112  
**CHAINGOW.**  
Brown, c. Webb, b. Davies ..... 5  
Horton, b. Bradford ..... 57  
Kinnard, c. Hartwell, b. Bradford ..... 5  
Lammert, c. Rutter, b. Bradford ..... 9  
Rose, b. Bradford ..... 0  
Bass, b. Bradford ..... 0  
Asger, b. Turner ..... 3  
Pestonji, b. Bradford ..... 3  
Crail, not out ..... 2  
Houghton, b. Bradford ..... 0  
Sundries ..... 6  
Total ..... 96  
**H.E.C.C. 'A' F. PARSERS.**  
The Hongkong 'A' team defeated the  
Parses team by two wickets and 8 runs on  
Saturday at Happy Valley.  
**PARSERS.**  
J. A. Chino, b. W. Grimbale ..... 18  
J. N. Moha, c. Hickling, b. Grimbale ..... 14  
D. K. Capitan, c. Chater, b. Grimbale ..... 8  
R. B. Cooper, c. Piper, b. Grimbale ..... 3  
J. D. Norin, b. Rutherford ..... 3  
J. H. Ruttonjee, b. Grimbale ..... 3  
J. M. Master, c. Chater, b. Lammert ..... 1  
R. B. Moha, c. Piper, b. Lammert ..... 0  
R. D. Mistry, b. Lammert ..... 0  
M. D. Vani, not out ..... 0  
C. B. Mowall, c. Lammert, b. Grimbale ..... 0  
Sundries ..... 6  
Total ..... 51  
**H.E.C.C. 'A' F. PARSERS.**  
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**THE FIRE DISASTER IN  
CHICAGO.**  
The final computation of loss of life at  
the recent fire at the Iroquois Theatre,  
Chicago, is: 664 dead, 157 injured, one-  
third fatally, and many missing. The  
audience was 1,300. The asbestos curtain,  
which was lowered on the outbreak of the  
fire, stuck half-way, forming a flue through  
which the flames poured all over the house  
in ten minutes.  
**THE NEW JAPANESE  
CRUISERS.**  
The two Argentine Cruisers recently  
purchased by Japan have been renamed  
the *Yasuda* and *Arakura*.  
Japan has ordered the most rapid com-  
pletion of the armoured cruisers *Momo*  
and *Bireadina*, and it is hoped that they  
will be ready by the end of January.  
**ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.**  
**ROYAL ENGINEERS V. DERBY DRUMS.**  
The Royal Engineers and Derby Drums  
played a draw on Saturday afternoon at  
Happy Valley, each team scoring one goal  
each. For the Royal Engineers Green shot  
a goal, while Woodhead guided the ball in  
for the Derbys. The game was hotly con-  
tested, and at times the foot work of both  
teams was rather good. Taylor and Adolph  
as goal keepers were safe, and saved for  
their respective sides time and again. Teams  
were as follows:—  
R.E.: Adolph, goal; Nixon and Leiper,  
backs; Lousier, Treen and Tibbles, halves;  
Goodman, Spencer, Green, Speir and Cal-  
laghan, forwards.  
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SUPREME COURT.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.  
(Before their Lordships Sir Wm. Gooden,  
Chief Justice, and Mr. A. G. Wise,  
Justice.)

Monday, January 4, 1904.

Pursuant to leave given by the Full Court to appeal against the decision of the Land Court in the case of Ho Lop Pan, who claims the absolute ownership of land bordering upon the sea between Lyceum and a Kowloon City, the Attorney General appeared against the judgment.

Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., (instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley) appeared for the Crown, together with the Attorney General, while Ho Lop Pan attended in person, and was not represented by Counsel.

Mr. Sharp said that the appeal was against a judgment pronounced by the Land Court in December 1901, allowing the respondent's claim to the absolute ownership of a large tract of sea-shore, alleged by him to have been acquired in a grant from the Chinese Government ten years before, that was in 1891. As their Lordships would recall, the Kowloon Extension Agreement, under which we acquired the New Territory, provided, amongst other things, that there should be no expropriation of the inhabitants' land. Pursuant to that provision a Land Court was established to inquire into the rights of the inhabitants to the date of the Ordinance of 1900 provided that all land in the New Territory should be the property of the Crown. Therefore, as between the Crown and the respondent, Ho Lop Pan, the Crown was clearly entitled to all rights to the land which Ho Lop Pan did not establish his title.

The Chief Justice.—The Crown practically steps into the shoes of the Chinese Government. Whatever rights they had the Crown inherits.

Mr. Sharp.—Undoubtedly. The question is, before the Land Court was established, what were Ho Lop Pan's rights at the date of the Ordinance?

The history of the case, continued Mr. Sharp, was that on November 27, 1891, the San On Magistrate granted to the claimant certain rights, the Crown said that those rights amounted to what they would call a mere fishing license over a vague tract of sea-shore. No use was stipulated, and the grant was not in any way limited by the same. The land in Kowloon, now, Ho Lop Pan said that he never resided in Kowloon, nor did he make fishing and fishing his occupation. It went on to say that he found adjacent to his place of residence there was a tract of land which was used for a dock, it should have been a fit place to make a moored, or fish-pond to put up a station. This certificate was put in the Land Court, but before they gave judgment the translation was found to be incorrect, and instead of a fishing right, it was a dock, it should have been a fit place to make a moored, or fish-pond to put up a station. This certificate was put in the Land Court, but before they gave judgment the translation was found to be incorrect, and instead of a fishing right, it was a dock, it should have been a fit place to make a moored, or fish-pond to put up a station.

The Chief Justice.—You mean in 1901, is that right?

Mr. Sharp.—Yes, August last year. In the same month, went on Mr. Sharp, the Attorney General obtained leave to appeal and the respondent to the Crown, the respondent to file any evidence they saw fit to reply. The claimant claimed between two and three miles of shore. Land in China, according to the affidavits, belonged to the Emperor of China and was divided into two kinds, one cultivated land or land built upon, and the balance government waste land. It was only for cultivated land or land built upon that absolute ownership was to be registered and Government waste land—like that in question—consisted mainly of foreshores, sand banks, sea beds, etc., and could not be owned absolutely by the subject.

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CANTON LEOPARDS' FUND.

'China Mail's' Subscription List.

We would remind generous readers that we are prepared to receive, acknowledge, and despatch to Dr. Beattie, of Canton, any contributions forwarded towards a fund for the alleviation of the sufferings of the leopards at Canton.

Already acknowledged ... \$255.80  
N. (Canton) ... \$10  
\$265.80

MASONIC QUADRILLE CLUB DANCE.

The monthly 'quadrilles' inaugurated at the beginning of the present dancing season by the Masonic Quadrille Club continue to be extremely popular. On Saturday night the dance of the present month was held. Mr. Sharp, and I suppose the statement in the document that you wanted to build docks was also a matter of fact.

Subsequently Mr. Sharp said that the mention of docks might have been a mistake in translation, but that the translation looked as if it had been 'made in Germany.'

The Attorney General said that as Mr. Sharp had dealt so fully with the case he would not address them, but would ask the Lordships to take the case of U and K.

The Chief Justice.—I will hear what Ho Lop Pan has to say in respect to this case. It has been shown that the Crown was misled by the Crown that the Land Court was misled by certain documents placed before them, and a map which was assumed to be genuine in giving him the absolute title of a large tract of land. The Crown said that the Land Court was misled by certain documents placed before them, and a map which was assumed to be genuine in giving him the absolute title of a large tract of land.

The Chief Justice.—The point is that he asked for a fishing license, and they gave him one for a dock.

The Chief Justice.—In the application for a fishing license he states that he has long resided in Kowloon making farming and fishing his occupation. That is absolutely false. As regards the \$5, it is clear that it is for rent and not for taxes.

Mr. Sharp.—Yes, My Lord, it is for rent. The Chief Justice is in delivering judgment said that in the judgment of the Land Court they seemed to have chiefly taken into consideration exhibits C, E, and H. They did not say in the judgment that the concession was for a fishing right, but that it was a concession for a fishing right.

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THE EMPRESS COLLISION.

Summary of Judgment.

The following summary of Sir H. S. Wilkinson's judgment in the action in which the Chinese Government sued the owners of the *Empress of India* is taken from the N. O. Daily News:—

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